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NOTE FOR: DDCI

I concur with the approach recommended
by CIPC.

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L. A. Burkhalter, Jr.
Vice Admiral, USN

DDCI:

YES ☒

NO ☐

*See DCI memo
to you date 24 Dec 85*



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20 December 1985

NOTE FOR: D/ICS

FROM: VC/CIPC

SUBJECT: Info for Mtg w/DCI on 24 Dec 85

Attached please find talking points for your meeting with Mr. Casey on Tuesday concerning the CIPC's review of MASINT. You will shortly be receiving a memo to the Community informing it of this study and which also answers the correspondence you received on this subject.

Attachment: As stated



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TALKING POINTS FOR DCI MEETING
24 December 1985

MASINT (Measurement and Signature Intelligence)

- At the Community level, MASINT* collection guidance and requirements are now handled by a subcommittee of the SIGINT Committee. This arrangement was approved by John McMahon, Acting DCI, on 23 August 1983, in response to a recommendation of the Chairman, CIPC.
- Over a period of about two months beginning in mid-July this year, D/ICS received five letters (DIA, CIA and Army, Navy, and Air Force Intelligence) urging the creation of a separate and independent MASINT Committee.
- Given the emerging importance of MASINT, for example, in intelligence support [redacted], a review of where the Community stands on MASINT clearly is in order. (Indeed, included in John McMahon's decision noted above was the provision that a review should be conducted to determine whether the MASINT Subcommittee should be continued within the SIGINT Committee or elevated to full DCI Committee status.)
- I have notified the agencies that the CIPC will conduct a MASINT review and that CIPC staff officer, [redacted] has been assigned responsibility for this effort. At this point, I see it as a staff activity and not a full CIPC study. It should be completed by the end of February and will provide the basis for my recommendations to you regarding, inter alia, whether or not a separate, independent MASINT Committee ought to be constituted.

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The Director of Central Intelligence

~~Washington, D.C. 20505~~

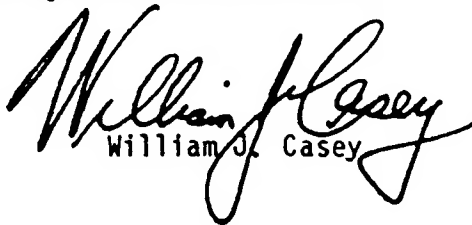
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24 December 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: MASINT Subcommittee

After being briefed on the activities and status of the Measurements and Signatures Intelligence (MASINT) Subcommittee of the SIGINT Committee, I think we should establish an independent Community MASINT Committee. Before doing so, is there anything we should consider?


William J. Casey

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The Director of Central Intelligence

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Vice Admiral Edward A. Burkhalter, Jr.
Director, Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: MASINT Subcommittee

The DCI
1. I recently was briefed on the activities and status of the Measurements and Signatures Intelligence (MASINT) Subcommittee of the SIGINT Committee. MASINT incorporates a wide range of technical collection disciplines.

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2. An effective Community forum is needed to ensure the optimum use of our scarce resource dollars and existing assets. Please have the CIPC provide me with a recommendation on how to structure an independent Community body for the coordination of MASINT requirements and systems. I would like to have this recommendation by 14 January 1986. (C)

John N. McMahon
Acting Director

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